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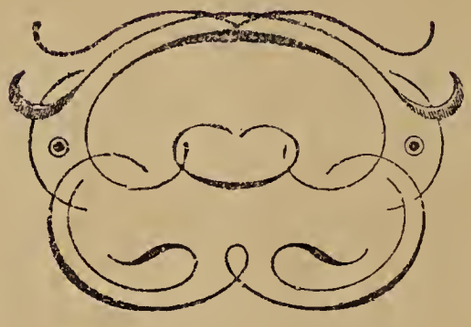
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Dole, Hallett	Rowley.
Dummer, Edward	Byfield.
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Foss, James H.	Byfield.
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Griffith, George B.	Rowley.
Haskell, Aljew	"
Herbert, Charles	"
Holt, Charles S.	Byfield.
Jewett, Amos G.	Ipswich.
Jewett, Willard H.	Rowley.
Kent, Jacob	"
Kimball, Charles	Wenham.
Kimball, Edward	Ipswich.

Kinison, Albert E.	Haverhill.
Kinison, John W.	"
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Lee, Henry P.	St. Martins, W. I.
Lunt, Edmund S.	Newburyport.
Maddock, Alfred	Rowley.
Merritt, John H.	Marblehead.
Mighill, Nathaniel	Rowley.
Moody, Luther R.	Byfield.
Morrison, John P.	Rowley.
Noyes, George E.	Byfield.
Paine, Bernard	East Randolph.
Pentland, Charles J.	Newburyport.
Pillsbury, John	Ipswich.
Prescott, George	Rowley.
Prescott, Willard N.	"
Proctor, Charles	"
Pueblo, Ramon	Havana, W. I.
Root, J. Henry	Byfield.
Root, James M.	"
Stone, Goodwin	Newburyport.
Stone, Richard jr.	"
Sweet Henry W.	Boston.
Tappan, Edmund S.	Somerville, Tenn.
Tyng, George	Havana, W. I.
Whittier, Lyman	Rowley.
Wheelwright, William	Valparaiso, Chili.
Wilds, Ebenezer J.	Byfield.

SUMMARY.

Whole Number,	55
Spring Term,	32
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CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION.

Candidates for admission to the school are required to possess a good moral character; to be at least *ten* years of age; to be able to read fluently, and spell correctly the more common English words; and to have acquired a good knowledge of the fundamental principles of Arithmetic, Geography and English Grammar.

The school is divided into three general classes, and the course of study arranged for three years.

Course of Study.

FIRST YEAR.

First Term.	Latin Grammar and Reader (Andrews'), Arithmetic (Greenleaf's National), Geography (Pierson's), English Grammar (Tower's), Reading, Spelling and Penmanship.*
Second Term.	Latin Reader and Grammar (continued), Arithmetic (continued), Grammar (Greene's Analysis)
Third Term.	Nepos (Johnson's), Greek Grammar (Crosby's),* Greek Lessons, Arithmetic (completed).

*Through the course.

SECOND YEAR.

First Term.
- Cicero (Johnson's),
- Xenophon's Anabasis, or Felton's Greek Reader,
- Arnold's Latin Prose Composition,*
- Greek Prose Composition,*
- Written Translations,*
- Philosophy and Chemistry.

Second Term.
- Cicero (continued),
- Greek (continued),
- Algebra, (Loomis's)

Third Term.
- Virgil (Gould's),
- Greek (continued),
- Algebra (completed).

THIRD YEAR.

First Term.
- Virgil (continued),
- Greek (completed),
- Composition of Latin verse,
- Physiology (Cutter's).

Second Term.
- Virgil (completed),
- Homer's Illiad,
- Geometry.

Third Term.
- Review of the Whole Course,
- Surveying.

A weekly exercise in English Composition and Declamation is assigned for the whole school.

Books of Reference.—Webster's or Worcester's Dictionary, Andrews' or Leverett's Latin Lexicon, Liddell and Scott's Greek Lexicon, Smith's or Anthon's Classical Dictionary, Smith's Greek and Roman Antiquities.

No Translations or Keys of the authors studied are allowed in school, nor any orders of Construction, nor Interpretations of the Poets.

Pupils may be admitted to pursue a part or the whole of the course, as circumstances may require, or can recite in part with different classes at the same time.

*Through the course.

DUMMER ACADEMY.

Dummer Academy was established by the will of Lieut. Governor Dummer, of Colonial notoriety, who gave his farm of more than two hundred acres, and his Mansion for the support of a "Grammar School to qualify youth for important offices in Church and State." The school was opened in March, 1763, and incorporated in 1789, and at this time its funds were more than doubled by a donation from the state. For a long series of years it was under the care of the celebrated Master Moody, and it numbers among its former teachers and pupils some of the most eminent men and scholars in the country.

In order to carry out more fully the design of the founder, the Trustees have arranged a course of study, in which the Classical and English branches are mingled in such proportion as experience has shown to be best fitted to call out and discipline in harmony all the powers of the mind. It is believed that a thorough knowledge of our mother tongue is best acquired in conjunction with the Latin, and that, though a pupil may not design ultimately to enter College, he will find himself possessed of a far better education, and be better fitted to fill any station in life, by pursuing the course here prescribed, than by an exclusive devotion to English studies. The instruction is *thorough*, and based upon the principle that a man's education depends on the amount of *discipline* he has received, and not upon the *extent* and *variety* of subjects he has pursued. It is a primary object to induce the pupils to think and reason for themselves. The discipline of the mind and the cultivation of the best affections of the heart are regarded of more importance than the mere acquisition of knowledge.

But the discipline of the school does not end with mere intellectual acquirements. Special attention is given to the deportment and habits of the pupils, and the inculcation of correct moral principles is regarded as an

object of primary importance. The pupils are required to maintain the respectful and courteous bearing of gentlemen in their intercourse with each other and their teacher. The Bible is made a book of daily study, and is regarded as the only infallible guide to duty. The retirement of the place, and its freedom from stores, taverns, and other places of resort, are great aids in the moral cultivation of the pupils.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

In order to secure to each pupil all needed attention from the Principal, it is designed to limit the number to thirty or thirty-five, and preference will be given those who apply first.

The classes are formed at the commencement of the Fall Term, which is the commencement of the Academic year, and it is desirable that all the pupils should be present the first day. Students may be admitted at any time to join such of the regular classes as they are qualified for.

Punctuality in attendance upon the duties of the school is required, and no absence allowed except for urgent reasons.

No pupil is allowed to leave the Parish without the permission of the Principal.

The use of fire-arms and intoxicating liquors, games of chance, and profane swearing, are strictly forbidden.

The students are required to be present at devotional exercises, every morning and evening, and to attend divine worship on the Sabbath.

Six hours a day are devoted to study and recitation in the school-room, and two hours in the evening to study in the private rooms.

A record of the attendance and proficiency of each student, and also of his deportment, is kept, and presented to the Trustees at the close of each term, and will be furnished to parents when desired.

LIBRARY, APPARATUS, &C.

A Library of several hundred volumes belongs to the school, and is free to the students.

A good set of Apparatus, adequate to illustrate all the important principles

in Natural Philosophy and Chemistry, is owned by the Sons of Dummer, and devoted to the use of the Institution. Experimental lectures on these subjects are given during the Fall Term. The class in Surveying practices field exercises, with the aid of a superior set of Instruments. The class in Physiology enjoys the use of a set of colored plates illustrative of the science.

The Society of the "Sons of Dummer," has a small fund, the annual income of which is expended in making additions to the Library and Philosophical apparatus, and in giving prizes for successful scholarship.

TUITION, BOARD, ETC.

Tuition is $6 00 per term, or $18 00 per pear year, *payable each term in advance.* Tuition is not received for less than a term, and no deduction is made for absence, unless caused by protracted illness.

The former mansion of Governor Dummer is now occupied as a Boarding House for pupils. It is at present under the management of Mr. B. Glimes, who will furnish all the comforts and conveniences which will render the place a *home* for the pupils. The Principal exercises an especial supervision over all the pupils of the Boarding House at all times, and designs, as nearly as possible, to supply the place of a parent. The price of board is $2,75 per week, including room, lights and washing. For those who spend the Sabbath at home the price is $2,00.

Board can also be obtained in private families, and the Principal may receive a few, by special agreement, into his own family.

LOCATION.

The School is located in Byfield Parish, Newbury, four miles from Newburyport, and thirty miles from Boston. It is three miles from Rowley Depot on the Eastern Railroad, and the same distance from Byfield Depot on the Newburyport Railroad. Conveyance from either place at a slight charge. Hence the school is easy of access and at the same time free from the noise, bustle and contamination of crowded thoroughfares, and business places. A place more free from temptation to idleness and vice, and better fitted for study could scarcely be found; while the beautiful scenery of the surrounding region, and the invigorating air cultivate an elevated taste, and inspire elevated sentiments.

EXAMINATIONS, TERMS, ETC.

A Committee of the Trustees examines the school at the close of each term, and the friends of the pupils and the school are cordially invited to be present. A Public Examination and Exhibition is held at the close of the Summer Term.

The Academic year is divided into three terms. The Fall term continues fourteen, the Spring fifteen, and the Summer thirteen weeks. The Annual Examination and Exhibition occur the Wednesday before the commencement at Cambridge. The Summer vacation is six weeks, the Fall and Spring vacations two weeeks each.

CALENDAR.

SUMMER TERM ends: Annual Examination July 9, 1856.
FALL TERM begins Thursday, August 21, 1856.
FALL TERM ends Wednesday, November 26, 1856.
WINTER TERM begins Thursday, December 11, 1856.
WINTER TERM ends Wednesday, March 25, 1857.
SUMMER TERM begins Thursday, April 9, 1857.

REFERENCES.

Rev Dr. Walker, *President of Harvard College, Cambridge;* B. A. Gould, Esq., and Rev. George Punchard, *Boston;* Rev. Dr. Hitchcock, and Prof. W. S. Tyler, *Amherst; College* Hon. A. Huntington, *Salem;* Hon. A. W. Dodge, *Hamilton;* Rev. D. Fitz, *Ipswich;* Rev. J. Pike, *Rowley;* Rev. Dr. Withington, *Newbury;* Rev. Mr. Spalding, Rev. Dr. Dimmick, Jeremiah Colman, Esq., E. S. Mosely, Esq., *Newburyport;* Shepherd Knapp, Esq., D. P. Parish, Esq., *New York.*

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